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Subject: RE: Private facilities review
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Hi Everyone;

Much of the information you need to carry out fairly accurate estimates of effluent limits is found on the 2nd tab (SupleeReview) of the spreadsheet I sent last week (IndustrialFacilities_reviewed.xlsx). There, you will see a column with the discharge quality for whatever nutrients they monitored (often these are not TN or TP, but we can make the safe assumption that if they exceed the solubles they will exceed totals). A few columns over (column AG) in the same tab is 'Assumed Nutrient Standard of Receiving Water'. Those are the nutrient standards.

Now, for dischargers to small streams (Conoco, W. Sugar, REC) I assumed no dilution is available and the standards need be met end-of-pipe. All costs for upgrades must be judged relative to that.

For dischargers to the larger rivers, you are missing some receiving water data at the low flow (we use seasonal 14Q10 for nutrients) which you will need to calculate dilution. I provide these below (or estimates thereof):

Yellowstone River at Sidney: Seasonal 14Q10 (July-Oct) = 3,550 CFS

Yellowstone River, Billings: Seasonal 14Q10 (July-Oct) = 2,000 cfs (75 seasons of record)

Yellowstone River, Laurel (estimated): 1,850 cfs (less CFYR and Red Lodge Creek)

Missouri River, Holcim Trident (Toston gage): 14Q10 (July-Oct) 1,270 cfs

For the Yellowstone River at Sidney, the ambient nutrient concentrations at 14Q10 low flow are ~0.045 ug TP/L and ~0.43 mg TN/L. With these data, and the ambient Yellowstone River nutrient data for Billings and Laurel in the attached spreadsheets (to carry out the calculations for Exxon Mobile and Cenex Harvest, respectively), you should have all the basic info needed to estimate the degree of upgrade required. You may come up with somewhat different conclusions than I did for the large-river dischargers, I did a very quick estimation.

I will be in the field all week and will not be able to see emails. Tina should be able to help with additional questions.

Mike

From: Lauren Praesel [mailto:Lauren_Praesel@abtassoc.com]
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Subject: RE: Private facilities review

Mike,

Is MDEQ going to estimate actual effluent limits for each facility? If not, is there any way we can get more detailed data on available dilution so that we can project effluent limits for each facility?

For example, in the spreadsheet the data indicate that Holcim Trident - Cement Manufacture is discharging at 2.5 mg/L to 10.10 mg/L TN and has an instream criterion of 0.8 mg/L. To comply with effluent limits based on this criterion the facility would need dilution of approximately 13:1 based on the maximum value (using a simple mixing zone equation). It is not clear if 13:1 meets the definition of "probably" having "substantial" dilution. Also, the facility's existing permit indicates that it does not have a mixing zone for its current discharge.

We would also need to project effluent limits to determine the difference between "will need upgrade" as is the case for Cenex Harvest States Cooperative and "will need major upgrade" as is the case for Western Sugar Cooperative in terms of different treatment technologies/controls.

Thanks,

Lauren Praesel

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Subject: Private facilities review

Hi;

I have completed my broad-brush assessment of the 11 facilities we selected for determining if they would be able to comply with the base numeric nutrient standards. I went over the results with Permitting as well.

At this stage, I have put the results in a table in the 'Summary' tab. It simply states whether an upgrade is likely or not.

Some additional details are found in the 'SupleeReview' tab. If further analysis is needed, or if you want me to go over it, please let me know.

Mike

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STATION	SAMPLE_DATE	SAMPLE_TIME	PARAMETER	PARAM_VALUE	STATION	REMARK	UNIT	VAL	MONTH
Yellowston	8/13/1974	11:30	Total nitro	0.47	06205200				8
Yellowston	8/21/1974	11:45	Total nitro	0.41	06205200				8
Yellowston	8/14/1975	10:45	Total nitro	0.16	06205200				8
Yellowston	8/26/1975	13:45	Total nitro	0.24	06205200				8
Yellowston	8/10/1976	9:00	Total nitro	0.26	06205200				8
Yellowston	8/24/1976	12:00	Total nitro	0.37	06205200				8
Yellowston	8/11/1977	14:30	Total nitro	0.37	06205200				8
Yellowston	8/24/1977	10:00	Total nitro	0.03	06205200				8
Yellowston	8/9/1978	13:30	Total nitro	0.39	06205200				8
Yellowston	8/23/1978	10:00	Total nitro	0.41	06205200				8
Yellowston	8/2/1979	10:30	Total nitro	0.33	06205200				8
Yellowston	8/21/1979	12:30	Total nitro	0.44	06205200				8
Yellowston	8/28/2007	12:50	Nitrogen, r	0.233	Y06YELSR01		mg/l		8

STATION_NAME	SAMPLE_	SAMPLE_
Yellowstone River at Laurel MT	8/13/1974	11:30
Yellowstone River at Laurel MT	8/21/1974	11:45
Yellowstone River at Laurel MT	8/14/1975	10:45
Yellowstone River at Laurel MT	8/26/1975	13:45
Yellowstone River at Laurel MT	8/10/1976	9:00
Yellowstone River at Laurel MT	8/24/1976	12:00
Yellowstone River at Laurel MT	8/11/1977	14:30
Yellowstone River at Laurel MT	8/24/1977	10:00
Yellowstone River at Laurel MT	8/9/1978	13:30
Yellowstone River at Laurel MT	8/23/1978	10:00
Yellowstone River at Laurel MT	8/2/1979	10:30
Yellowstone River at Laurel MT	8/21/1979	12:30
Yellowstone River at Laurel MT	8/16/1977	9:05
Yellowstone River at Laurel MT	8/12/1977	0:00
Yellowstone River at Laurel MT	8/25/1977	0:00
Yellowstone River at Laurel MT	8/3/1976	10:15
Yellowstone River at Laurel MT	8/3/1976	10:16
Yellowstone River at Laurel MT	8/15/1975	9:45
Yellowstone River at Laurel MT	8/21/2003	11:15
Yellowstone River at Laurel MT	8/28/2007	12:50
Yellowstone River at Laurel MT	8/28/2007	12:50

PARAMETER	PARAM	VSTATION	REMARK	UNIT	VAL
Phosphorus, water, unfiltered, milligrams per liter	0.060	06205200			
Phosphorus, water, unfiltered, milligrams per liter	0.030	06205200			
Phosphorus, water, unfiltered, milligrams per liter	0.010	06205200	<		
Phosphorus, water, unfiltered, milligrams per liter	0.040	06205200			
Phosphorus, water, unfiltered, milligrams per liter	0.030	06205200			
Phosphorus, water, unfiltered, milligrams per liter	0.010	06205200			
Phosphorus, water, unfiltered, milligrams per liter	0.020	06205200			
Phosphorus, water, unfiltered, milligrams per liter	0.030	06205200			
Phosphorus, water, unfiltered, milligrams per liter	0.010	06205200	<		
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Phosphorus, water, unfiltered, milligrams per liter	0.010	06205200			
Phosphorus, water, unfiltered, milligrams per liter	0.020	06205200			
Phosphorus as P	0.00	2659YE03		mg/l	
Phosphorus as P	0.02	2659YE01		mg/l	
Phosphorus as P	0.01	2659YE01		mg/l	
Phosphorus as P	1.20	2659YE01		mg/l	
Phosphorus as P	0.27	2659YE01		mg/l	
Phosphorus as P	0.02	2659YE01		mg/l	
Phosphorus as P	0.013	Y06YSR400		mg/l	
Phosphorus as P	0.0165	Y06YELSR01		mg/l	
Phosphorus as P	0.00595	Y06YELSR01		mg/l	

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Yellowston	8/9/1968	9:30:00 Total nitrogen, \0.28	06214500	8
Yellowston	8/5/1969	10:45:00 Total nitrogen, \0.59	06214500	8
Yellowston	8/3/1970	13:30:00 Total nitrogen, \0.28	06214500	8
Yellowston	8/13/1975	9:15:00 Total nitrogen, \0.16	06214500	8
Yellowston	8/12/1976	9:30:00 Total nitrogen, \0.21	06214500	8
Yellowston	8/9/1977	10:00:00 Total nitrogen, \0.40	06214500	8
Yellowston	8/1/1978	11:00:00 Total nitrogen, \0.29	06214500	8
Yellowston	8/26/1980	10:45:00 Total nitrogen, \0.69	06214500	8
Yellowston	8/27/1981	14:30:00 Total nitrogen, \0.65	06214500	8
Yellowston	8/18/1992	8:50:00 Total nitrogen, \0.32	06214500	8
Yellowston	8/13/1999	10:30:00 Total nitrogen, \0.46	06214500	8
Yellowston	8/22/2001	16:15:00 Total nitrogen, \0.32	06214500	8

STATION_NAME	SAMPLE_	SAMPLE_
Yellowstone River at Billings MT	8/3/1970	13:30:00
Yellowstone River at Billings MT	8/13/1975	9:15:00
Yellowstone River at Billings MT	8/12/1976	9:30:00
Yellowstone River at Billings MT	8/9/1977	10:00:00
Yellowstone River at Billings MT	8/1/1978	11:00:00
Yellowstone River at Billings MT	8/26/1980	10:45:00
Yellowstone River at Billings MT	8/27/1981	14:30:00
Yellowstone River at Billings MT	8/9/1982	15:00:00
Yellowstone River at Billings MT	8/10/1983	12:30:00
Yellowstone River at Billings MT	8/18/1992	8:50:00
Yellowstone River at Billings MT	8/13/1999	10:30:00
Yellowstone River at Billings MT	8/14/2000	12:30:00
Yellowstone River at Billings MT	8/22/2001	16:15:00
Yellowstone River at Billings MT	8/22/2003	13:00:00
Yellowstone River at Billings MT	8/22/2003	14:15:00
Yellowstone River at Billings MT	8/22/2003	0:00:00

PARAMETER	PARAM_VALUE	STATION_REMARK_UNIT_VAL	
Phosphorus, water, unfiltered, milligrams per liter	0.040	06214500	
Phosphorus, water, unfiltered, milligrams per liter	0.010	06214500 <	
Phosphorus, water, unfiltered, milligrams per liter	0.040	06214500	
Phosphorus, water, unfiltered, milligrams per liter	0.030	06214500	
Phosphorus, water, unfiltered, milligrams per liter	0.060	06214500	
Phosphorus, water, unfiltered, milligrams per liter	0.040	06214500	
Phosphorus, water, unfiltered, milligrams per liter	0.010	06214500 <	
Phosphorus, water, unfiltered, milligrams per liter	0.050	06214500	
Phosphorus, water, unfiltered, milligrams per liter	0.060	06214500	
Phosphorus, water, unfiltered, milligrams per liter	0.01	06214500	KJ010
Phosphorus, water, unfiltered, milligrams per liter	0.081	06214500	CL021
Phosphorus, water, unfiltered, milligrams per liter	0.028	06214500	CL021
Phosphorus, water, unfiltered, milligrams per liter	0.025	06214500	CL021
Phosphorus as P	0.021	Y06YSR470	mg/l
Phosphorus as P	0.019	Y06YSR520	mg/l
Phosphorus as P	0.020	Y12YSR550	mg/l

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